

**LDEQ ANSWERS TO PROPOSERS QUESTIONS**  
**RFP No. 3000006529**  
**“Risk Assessment and Related Consulting Services”**

LDEQ’s answers to the following questions are intended to provide information to potential proposers questions to RFP No. 3000006529.

Questions and answers that may potentially result in the disclosure of information from proposals of competing bidders will not be published.

**Question 1:** List of Items, Schedule of Requirements, Scope of Work, Terms of Reference, Bill of Materials required.

**LDEQ’s answer:** *These items may be found in RFP Attachment 1, Statement of Work, Section 2.0 Contractor Tasks, Section 3.0 Minimum Qualifications of the Contractor’s Personnel, and Section 4.0 Project Management.*

**Question 2:** Names of countries that will be eligible to participate in this tender.

**LDEQ’s answer:** *This is open competition, not limited to companies based in any particular country(s). In accordance with RFP Part II, Section 2.1, any corporation must have a certificate of authority to transact business in Louisiana from the Louisiana Secretary of State.*

**Question 3:** Information about the Tendering Procedure and Guidelines

**LDEQ’s answer:** Procedures and guidelines are governed by Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1551-1755 and Louisiana Administrative Code Title 34, Part V.

**Question 4:** Estimated Budget for this Purchase

**LDEQ’s answer:** *This information cannot be released during the advertisement period, as it could compromise the RFP process with regard to competitive price proposals.*

**Question 5:** Any Extension of Bidding Deadline?

**LDEQ’s answer:** *Proposal due date and time are unchanged and remain as indicated in the original RFP.*

**Question 6:** Any Addendum or Pre Bid meeting Minutes?

**LDEQ’s answer:** *This Question & Answer document is the only addendum. There were no pre bid meeting or minutes.*

**Question 7:** Are teaming agreements acceptable?

**LDEQ's answer:** No, teaming agreements are not acceptable.

**Question 8:** Will a Master's in Toxicology, Diplomate of the American Board of Toxicology (DABT) certification, and 20+ years of experience be accepted in lieu of a Ph.D. and 5 years of experience?

**LDEQ's answer:** In accordance with Attachment 1, Statement of Work, Section 3.0, Minimum Qualifications of the Contractor Personnel: the Toxicologist should have a Ph.D. in Toxicology and a minimum of five (5) years of professional experience in risk assessment and environmental consulting. Proposals including other qualifications will not be disqualified; however they will be scored accordingly (i.e., lower) if the degree and professional experience do not meet the RFP SOW minimum qualifications.